

REMARKS

In light of the above amendatory matter and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are requested.

The Examiner objected to the disclosure because of a spelling informality. Applicant has amended the disclosure to make the appropriate correction.

Claims 1-5 were pending in this application. The Examiner rejected claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to make and/or use the invention. Specifically, the Examiner argues that it is unclear how longitude is measured by feet and inches. It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner mistakes the mathematical symbols ' and ' ' to only represent feet and inches. These mathematical symbols signify minutes and seconds as well as feet and inches. The disclosed designations for longitude and latitude measurements are well known to one skilled in the art.

The Examiner argues that it is unclear how the position of the apparatus is measured by its altitude and longitude. Applicant has amended the specification to correct the inadvertent mistake of referring to "altitude" as a coordinate of the position data rather than latitude, as is known. It is well known that position data obtained by a Global Positioning System ("GPS"), which is disclosed in Applicants'

specification, is measured by longitude and latitude coordinates. Applicant has amended the application changing altitude to latitude to make it clear that the position of the information retrieval apparatus is detected by latitude and longitude measurements.


In view of the above remarks and amendments to the specification reconsideration of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejected claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner argues that the recitation "detecting a current position" renders the claim vague since it is unclear as to what the current position refers to. Applicants have amended claim 5 to clarify that it is the position of the information retrieval apparatus that is detected in the information retrieval method.

On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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